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SUBJ: OAU ADMINSEC GEN TO US

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1. POL COUNSELOR CALLED, AT HIS INITIATIVE, ON ACTING OAU ADMIN
SEC GEN DJOUDI SEPTEMBER 18. DJOUDI EXPLAINED HE ACTING UNEXPECTEDLY
AS SEC GEN ETEKI MBOUMOUA CALLED AWAY SUDDENLY TO LOURENCO MARQUES
AND DAKAR (ONLY POINTS MENTIONED) SEPTEMBER 16. IN REPLY QUESTION,
DJOUDI SAID HE HAD NOT RPT NOT HAD OPPORTUNITY DISCUSS WITH ETEKI
MATTERS LATTER WISHED RAISE WITH USG (REFTEL. HOWEVER, DJOUDI
FELT ETEKI LIKELY WISH DISCUSS TWO BROAD SETS OF PROBLEMS OF
CURRENT INTEREST TO OAU, VIZ., US REGIONAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
AS IN SAHEL DROUGHT RELIEF, AND IMPLICATIONS OF DECOLONIZATION
PORTUGUESE TERRITORIES. ON LATTER POINT DJOUDI ANTICIPATED
DIFFICULTIES AS REPUBLIC SOUTH AFRICA AND RHODESIA REACT TO
COMING INDEPENDENCE OF MOZAMBIQUE; DENIAL OF BEIRA PORT TO
RHODESIAN TRADE IN APPLICATION OF SANCTIONS BY INDEPENDENT
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MOZAMBICAN GOVERNMENT; LIKELY FUTURE STRUGGLE FOR POLITICAL

ADVANTAGE BETWEEN INTEREST GROUPS IN MOZAMBIQUE AND BETWEEN
LIBERATION MOVEMENTS IN ANGOLA.

2. DJOUDI KEPT CONVERSATION ON NATURE OF PROBLEMS AND POSSIBLE
SOUTH AFRICAN REACTIONS PURPOSEFULLY VAGUE BUT MADE CLEAR HIS
VIEW THAT ETEKI AND OAU IN DEALING WITH THESE CONTINGENCIES
CONSIDERED US ATTITUDE TOWARDS THEM SIGNIFICANT ELEMENT OF
PICTURE. IN RESPONSE POL COUNSELOR'S SUGGESTION, DJOUDI AGREED
TRY CONTACT ETEKI TO OBTAIN READOUT ON PRECISE SUBJECTS LATTER
THINKING OF RAISING WITH USG, BUT HE (DJOUDI) UNSURE HE COULD CATCH
UP WITH ETEKI.

3. FOLLOWING THIS EXCHANGE, DJOUDI TOOK INITIATIVE DISCUSS
29TH UNGA WHICH, HE FELT, WOULD BE DOMINATED BY AFRICAN ISSUES.
HE SAID THAT IT VIRTUALLY CERTAIN AFRICAN GROUP WOULD CHALLENGE
SOUTH AFRICAN CREDENTIALS; THAT AF'S CHALLENGE WOULD CARRY;
AND, AS RESULT, CREDENTIALS QUESTION WOULD GO TO CHAIR
WHERE BOUTEFILKA LIKELY TAKE "HARD LINE." DJOUDI WAS CAREFUL
TO OPINE THAT OBJECTIVE AF'S UNLIKELY BE EXPULSION SOUTH AFRICA.
SOMETHING SHORT OF THAT WOULD SATISFY THEM, HE THOUGHT.

4. DISCUSSION GAVE POL COUNSELOR OPPORTUNITY GO OVER US VIEWS
ON HANDLING IN UNGA OF PORTUGUESE DECOLONIZATION QUESTIONS
PER STATE 202939. DJOUDI TOOK THESE ABOARD WITHOUT SUBSTANTIVE
COMMENT. ON SOUTH AFRICAN CREDENTIALS, POL COUNSELOR PUT IT AS
PERSONAL OPINION THAT US POSITION LIKELY REMAIN WHAT IT HAD BEEN
ON THIS ISSUE ELSEWHERE IN UN SYSTEM AND HE MADE POINTS ON
STEAMROLLER TACTICS CONTAINED STATE 104050.
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